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1. WE HAVE NOTED AN UNEVENNESS IN THE DISCUSSIONS
ARISING FROM REFTEL IN THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE
DISTINCTION HAS BEEN BLURRED BETWEEN A POLITICAL
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SPAIN AND NATO AND A TECHNICAL
OR MILITARY RELATIONSHIP. IN SOME INSTANCES OUR
MISSIONS APPEAR TO HAVE URGED SUPPORT FOR FULL
SPANISH MEMBERSHIP, RATHER THAN CONCENTRATING ON
THE TECHNICAL OR MILITARY RELATIONSHIP. THE NATO
COUNTRY OBJECTIONS HAVE CONCENTRATED ON THE POLITICAL
RELATIONSHIP. SOME NATO COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVES
HAVE THOUGHT THAT EXPANDED "TECHNICAL" OR MILITARY
RELATIONSHIPS MIGHT BE FEASIBLE, ON THE ASSUMPTION
THAT THEY WOULD NOT HAVE UNACCEPTABLE POLITICAL
IMPLICATIONS. EXAMPLES OF THIS TYPE
OF EXPANDED RELATIONSHIPS ARE GIVEN IN PARAGRAPHS 7
AND 8 OF REFTEL PRIMARILY FOR USE WITH THE BRITISH
AND GERMAN GOVERNMENTS. IT APPEARS TO US THAT AS
CONSULTATIONS WITH NATO ON FUTURE SPANISH RELATION-
SHIPS WITH NATO PROCEED, OUR BEST TACTIC NOW WOULD
BE TO CONCENTRATE ON POSSIBILITIES FOR SPECIFIC
EXPANDED TECHNICAL OR MILITARY RELATIONSHIPS. SUCH
RELATIONSHIPS COULD, OF COURSE, BECOME A MATTER

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OF PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE IN DUE COURSE. IN CONCENTRATING

ON THIS TYPE OF RELATIONSHIPS, WE SHOULD NOT, HOWEVER,
GIVE UP THE ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN SOME SPECIFIC PUBLIC
RECOGNITION BY NATO OF THE CONTRIBUTION WHICH SPAIN
MAKES TO WESTERN DEFENSE.

2. WITH THE FOREGOING IN MIND, WE HOPE THAT IN
ANY FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WHICH OUR MISSIONS IN
NATO CAPITALS AND USNATO MAY BE INSTRUCTED TO HAVE
PRIOR TO MAY "SUMMIT," DEPT. WILL STRESS THE NEED
TO CONCENTRATE ON AN EXPANDED MILITARY LINK AND TO
AVOID THE NOTION THAT WE ARE PRESSING FOR FULL
MEMBERSHIP FOR SPAIN.
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